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The sudden outbreak against the idols of the Shing-wong temple seems

not yet to have spent itself, and

seeing that there is danger attached to the

doings of those who would destroy the

whole place, the officials have decided to

shut it up. It appears that though the

idols were beheaded, there yet remained

certain things that might be burnt and

other things that could be stolen. Seeing

that this is so, bands of men calling them-

selves soldiers, are entering the temple and

stealing property, and, when they list,

also lighting a bonfire with any woodwork,

whether idols or otherwise. It is feared

that these fires may be a danger to the

houses and shops near-by and complaints

are consequently rife. The temple-keepers

have been ordered to collect their private

property, and to betake themselves to an-

other place. Their so-called private

possessions have to be examined by

an official and then they may

depart in peace. Meanwhile the build-

ing, or what remains thereof, is to be

guarded by a responsible police official.

This is likely to be the end of the famous

temple, whether tens of thousands of

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have been accustomed to go.

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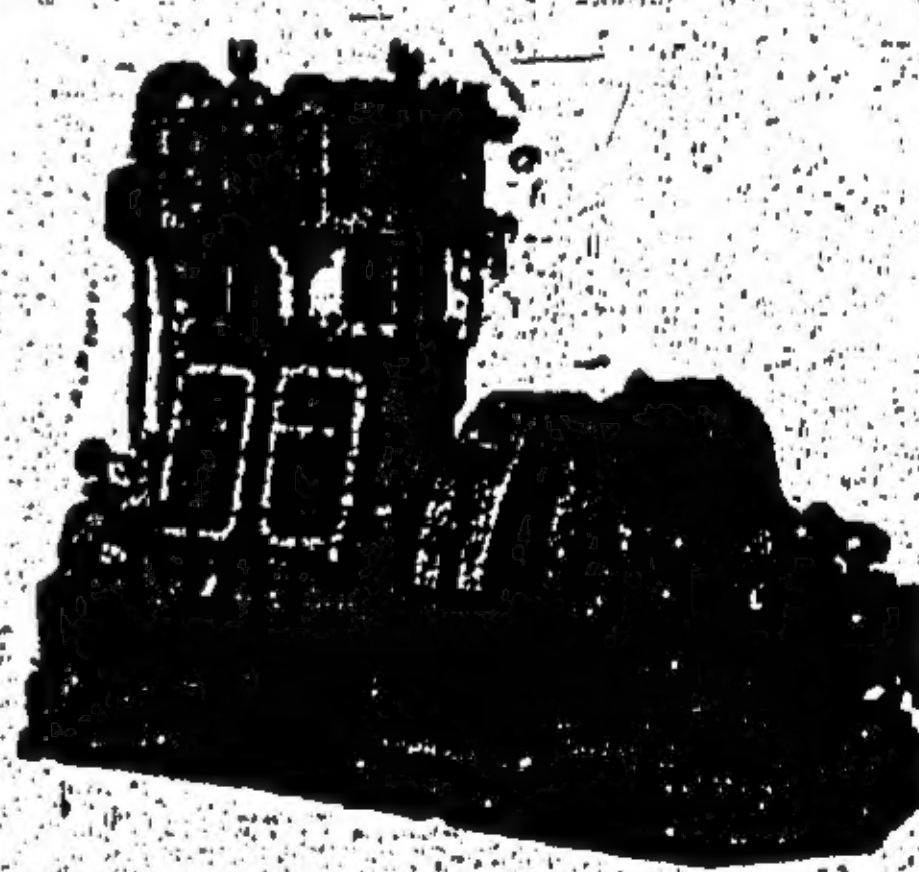
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A most important report on an investigation of the Pokfulum water supply by the Government Bacteriologist (Mr. Harold Macdonald) was laid before the Legislative Council on Thursday. It is an exceedingly voluminous document consisting of well over 60 pages. The introduction states that the investigation, to discover whether or not there was evidence of contamination in the supply, was entered by Sir Henry May on October 6th, 1910, and it had occupied practically twelve months. As the work progressed, it soon became evident that if the lactose fermenting bacilli were to be worked out with any thoroughness, other side-issues must be left alone on account of want of time. This course was adopted and the report consists essentially of an investigation of the lactose fermenting bacilli. No attempt has been made to isolate and classify the usual array of harmless water organisms. This has been done repeatedly elsewhere and the amount of information as to whether the water is polluted or not which can be derived from it is negligible.

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8. The method of running the water direct from the intakes on the filter beds with no preliminary storage is undesirable as if there was any infection of the water with pathogenic organisms, they would not have time to die out.
9. This method is even more undesirable if the water happened to be filtered by a new filter bed which was not yet efficient.
10. If water must be used directly from intakes with no preliminary storage, a very strict supervision must be kept over the area drained by the intake to prevent its being contaminated with human excreta, and it should only be filtered by a bed which is known to be efficient.
11. The whole water should be stored as far as practical before being filtered.
12. The filter-beds appear to require at least a week before they become efficient during that time the water is used as far as I know and is not run to waste.
13. Therefore, when several filters are in use, they should be changed one at a time and not all at the same time.
14. The filters, as far as they have been tested, never give such good results as are apparently obtained at Home.
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16. As a whole, with the exception of the No. 6 filter bed, the filtration results are disappointing showing far too much fluctuation, the importance of preliminary storage of the water is therefore more evident.
17. A standard equal to the results given by No. 6 bed should be maintained on the bacteriological results of the water are based on the presence of organisms giving the reaction of true bacillus coli communis (Escherich). Further investigations will be required before the exact significance of the other lactose fermenters can be determined.
18. It is desirable that an investigation of the habits of the night-soil coolies in the Peak District in the early morning should be made from time to time. Even negative evidence on this point would be of great value.
19. From the results given it should be possible to produce a filtered water with a total acid count of 3 to 40 p.p.m. and with lactose fermenters absent from 20 c.c. This result would be, for the tropics, a very good one. At present, though samples equal to or even better than this are from time to time obtained, still a steady standard is not maintained.
20. The drinking purposes of the unfiltered water, the least would be the water which has been stored in the Reservoir for some time.

## OMINOUS RUMOURS IN CANTON.

There are distinct evidences that Canton is by no means in a peaceful condition. Every day, and often several times each day, the sound of musketry is heard, and the people are afraid to go out into the streets. This ever-present danger is causing a terrible depression in trade, and there seems to be no chance that it will improve at present. The old trouble of searching houses, both shops and private dwellings, to discover arms, is still in vogue, and though it is the revolutionists who now do this, the intrusion seems not to be any more to the taste of the people. Moreover it is reported that the soldiers and destroy just as did the old troops of the Viceroy. The anger of the business people is therefore rising, and they are discussing the plan of shutting up their shops as a protest against this condition of affairs. If they were to do this it would be like throwing dry matter upon a burning fire. They are also talking of shutting the gates of the city by day, and are grumbling that if the local Government are not able to restore order they must take the law into their own hands, and out of their resources, try what can be done. All this is ominous.

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(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
LONDON, Dec. 26.

A telegram from Toronto states that a crowded tramcar has been wrecked through an open switch, two passengers being killed and 40 injured.

Captain Deacon, R.N., of Plymouth, was seriously injured and his wife killed.

GERMAN FOREIGN  
MINISTER HONOURED.(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
LONDON, Dec. 25.

His Majesty the Kaiser has conferred the Order of the Red Eagle with brilliants on Herr Kiderlen-Waechter, the Foreign Minister.

## THE REVOLUTION.

ATTITUDE OF THE POWERS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
LONDON, December 23.

Reuter states that there is no truth in the report that Britain and Japan insist on monarchical government in China. The efforts of Britain and the other Powers are being directed towards assisting China to secure efficient government based on popular approval.

## WILL THE CONFERENCE FAIL?

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
LONDON, Dec. 24.

Reuter's correspondent at Peking wires that the Government fears that the conference at Shanghai will fail.

The rebels are preparing to march northwards via Pukow.

IMPORTANT PAPAL  
DECREE.

HOW IT AFFECTS IRELAND.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
LONDON, Dec. 23.

The papers comment on the reissue of the Papal decree excommunicating private individuals who, without obtaining permission of the Ecclesiastical authorities, summon any ecclesiastic before a criminal or civil tribunal as a defendant or witness. It is stated that the Irish law officers are considering the decree which is regarded as denying the Roman Catholics justice.

HONOUR FOR JAPAN-  
ESE AMBASSADOR.(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
LONDON, Dec. 24.

Reuter's correspondent at Berlin states that the Japanese Ambassador, Mr. Chinda, has received the Grand Cross of the Red Eagle on the occasion of his transfer to Washington.

## AMERICAN SUGAR CROP.

ROSY ESTIMATES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
LONDON, Dec. 24.

Reuter's New York correspondent states that moderate estimates predict that the sugar crop will yield 1,825,000 tons, exceeding the record of 1910 by 25,000.

Other estimates place the yield as high as 1,875,000.

PORTUGUESE TOOPS  
MUTINY.(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
LONDON, Dec. 23.

A regiment at Braga in Portugal has mutinied and shot and wounded the colonel. Thirty-nine men have been arrested.

AUSTRALIAN COAL  
VENUE.

BIG LAW SUIT ENDS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
LONDON, December 22.

Reuter's correspondent at Sydney states that the result of the Federal suit against the members of the Coal Vend was that each defendant was fined \$500 with costs and enjoined from continuing the monopoly.

The cases occupied seventy-three days, and the 39 defendants comprised the principal Newcastle and Maitland collieries and interstate shipping companies.

The penalties and costs amounted to over \$250,000.

FIGHTING NEAR  
MELILLA.

NATIVES ATTACK SPANIARDS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
LONDON, Dec. 24.

Reuter's Madrid correspondent reports that the natives near Melilla attacked the Spanish troops on Friday, and severe fighting followed along the front for nearly 40 miles.

The Spanish casualties were 9 killed and 38 wounded, including several officers, while the natives lost heavily.

## RUSSIA AND PERSIA.

DETAILS OF THE FIGHTING.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
LONDON, Dec. 23.

Reuter's correspondent at Teheran wires that Russian official sources state that while the Russian Government is sincerely desirous of withdrawing the troops as soon as possible, no pledge of immediate evacuation will be given on compliance with the ultimatum. No action has yet been taken regarding Mr. Shuster's position.

Telegrams from St. Petersburg show that the fighting at Tabriz on the 21st inst. was very severe, the Fidis attacking from the roofs and the streets. The Russians repulsed a formidable attack at Baghchehmal with artillery.

The Russian colony took refuge in the Consulate until reinforcements arrived, and then the artillery began the bombardment of the citadel, where the Fidis, were mostly gathered. The Russian corpses were horribly mutilated by the Fidis.

London, Dec. 24.

After the fighting at Tabriz, the Russians occupied all the Government offices and the telegraph station. The bombardment demolished many private buildings, and fifty Persians were killed.

The Russians have occupied the police and telegraph offices at Resht, where a number of Government officials were killed.

## RUSSIAN REINFORCEMENTS.

Reuter's St. Petersburg correspondent states that after Ministerial consultation, the Viceroy of the Caucasus has been ordered to send the largest possible reinforcements to Tabriz.

## "NO MERCY."

The Novoye Vremya quotes the Director of the Persian Department of the Foreign Office as saying that Russia will take justice into her own hands at Tabriz, Resht and Enzeli and will show no mercy to the revolutionary dregs who have been shedding Russian blood.

ALLEGED RUSSIAN  
BRUTALITY.

LONDON, Dec. 25.

The Vice-Governor of Teheran estimates that 500 Persians have already been killed, and he declares that the Russians ignore overtures for the cessation of hostilities and are butchering women and children.

## A SETTLEMENT.

Reuter's Teheran correspondent cables that with the approval of the Cabinet, the Regent has dissolved the Majlis and the Government has definitely accepted the Russian ultimatum. Further, the Russian Minister has signified his acceptance of the Persian reply.

## HOSTILITIES CONTINUE.

Reuter's St. Petersburg correspondent wires that shooting still continues at Tabriz.

## WIGAN MINE DISASTER.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
LONDON, Nov. 23.

A waterburst at a pit shaft near Wigan flooded the mine. Seventy-five men were rescued and twelve are still below.

London, Dec. 24.

Eleven men were rescued from the flooded mine at Wigan late last evening. One man was drowned.

## THE OPIUM CONVENTION.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
LONDON, Dec. 23.

Reuter's correspondent at The Hague wires that the Opium Conference has passed the first reading of the Opium Convention, and has adjourned till the 2nd January.

## ITALY AND TURKEY.

A RED SEA CAPTURE.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
LONDON, Dec. 24.

The steamer Menzaleh, which was seized by the Italian cruiser Puglia in the Red Sea, was allowed to proceed after the cruisers took away the £30,000 on board and the Ottoman parcels which she carried.

## HEAVY FIGHTING.

Reuter's correspondent at Rome telegraphs that the Turks twice attacked the Italian redoubts at Benghazi on the night of the 21st inst. but were driven off.

A six hours' action took place at Tobruk on the 22nd inst., in which warships participated.

The Italians lost seven killed and 16 wounded, while the enemy lost heavily.

## HOSPITAL SHIP SEIZED.

The Italian cruiser Puglia has seized the hospital ship Kaiserlich in the Red Sea, although she was flying the red cross flag, because a search showed an entire lack of hospital appliances and gave ground to the suspicion that she was being used for transport purposes.

TURKS AND ARABS CLAIM  
SUCCESS.

Reuter's Constantinople correspondent cables that the papers report continuous fighting at Tripoli and Ceranea, resulting favourably to the Turks and the Arabs, who are stated to be full of vigour and enthusiasm.

TERRIBLE GALE  
AT HOME.

MANY FISHERMEN DROWNED.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
LONDON, December 24.

A gale has played havoc with the fisheries, especially with French and British vessels. Nearly one hundred fishermen were drowned and many vessels lost. After many weeks of storms and almost continuous rain the wind dropped to-day and the heavy weather gave place to sunshine. There is promise of a fine Christmas.

THE WRECKED  
"DELHI"(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
LONDON, Dec. 23.

All the specie from the steamer Delhi has been landed.

DUNDEE LABOUR  
DISPUTES.(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
LONDON, Dec. 23.

Sir G. Askwith is proceeding to Dundee to mediate with the men's leaders. The strikers have succeeded in blocking cargoes at Leith destined for Dundee.

## A HAPPY CHRISTMAS.

The Dundee strike was settled at 3 o'clock this morning through the mediation of Sir G. Askwith, the carters and dockers getting an advance in wages.

A telegram from Reuter's Dundee correspondent states that most of the works have resumed business and that contractors are rushing through fuel and supplies.

PARIS GRAVEYARD  
SENSATION.

THE JEWELS SAFE.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
LONDON, Dec. 23.

The outrage on the body of the actress Madame Lantelme has caused a sensation in Paris. The robbers scattered the images at the altar and in the vault they removed three shells. They stripped the body of its wrappings of cotton wool, which a fallen match fired, and the stifling smoke compelled them to retreat. The firemen afterwards extinguished the flames and found the jewels intact beneath the pillow at the head of the corpse.

## MORE COMBINATION.

BRITISH CEMENT TRADE.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
LONDON, Dec. 23.

A British Cement Combine has been formed with a capital of three and a half million pounds. It has an agreement with the Associated Cement Company. The two concerns will have a capital of twelve millions and will control five-sixths of the British output.

CHAMBERLAIN ROAD  
ALTERATIONS.

Mr Pollock's Queries.

At the Legislative Council meeting to be held next Thursday the Hon. Mr H. E. Pollock, K.C., will ask the following questions—

1. What is the nature of the works which are in contemplation in the Hill District near the junction of the Chamberlain and Pokfulam Roads?
2. For what reason are such works being undertaken?
3. Has the question of the desirability of undertaking such works been laid before the Public Works Committee? If not, why not?
4. What is the estimated cost of such works?

## TYTAM RESERVOIR.

Progress of the Scheme.

At the meeting of the Legislative Council on Thursday afternoon the report of the Public Works Committee was laid on the table.

The report of Mr. Jaffé, Executive Engineer, showed that in years of deficient rainfall, such as 1901, the existing works, comprising Pokfulam, Wengachong, Ty-tam, Ty-tam Byewash and Ty-tam Intermediate Reservoirs, would fall short of present requirements to the extent of nearly 600 million gallons. The joint capacity of the reservoirs mentioned was 747 million gallons, but under such conditions as prevailed in 1901, the reservoirs might only contain 504 million gallons at the commencement of the dry season, whilst the statistics of recent years showed that during a dry season extending over a period of 280 days the consumption would amount to 1,270 million gallons. The yield of the streams during the same period would amount to about 27 million gallons so that a storage of 1,043 million gallons was required to ensure constant supply or 482 million in excess of that afforded by the present works, or, in round figures, 500 millions.

Probable requirements in the near future, including a supply to Shaikwan District, which could be most economically supplied from Ty-tam, were estimated at about 860 millions. The capacity of a new reservoir to meet existing and provide for estimated requirements must therefore not be less than 1,060 million gallons.

When the section of the Ty-tam Tuk scheme was formerly under consideration, it was considered important, in selecting the site for the dam, to secure the largest possible drainage area and it was therefore proposed that the dam should be constructed on what had been designated on the plans as "Site No. 1," which was situated in Ty-tam Bay. A report and estimate, prepared by Mr. Jaffé and dated 6th February, 1905, were forwarded to Government, for the construction of a dam on this site, with the necessary contingent works. The estimate was as follows:—

Dam (to impound 1,200 million gallons), \$2,445,000; Pumping station, pumping plant and mains, 337,000; Tunnel for discharge of storm-water during construction of dam and subsequently for draw-off pipes, 127,000; Road diversion, 60,000; Temporary Works, 343,300; total, \$3,312,300.

The gauges which were fixed in 1903 in the Ty-tam valley had shown however that, in year of average rainfall, the quantity of water available would be sufficient to fill a reservoir capable of containing 1,600 million gallons, though the drainage area were curtailed by constructing the dam at a higher point than that already referred to and accordingly a site which was designated "No. 2," immediately below the Ty-tam Tuk village, had the roughly investigated. To ensure the filling of such a reservoir during years of low rainfall, a short catchwater to intercept the drainage of an important valley to the north-eastward would be constructed, thus rendering available nearly the whole of the drainage area secured by the adoption of Site No. 1. If this were found inadequate, further catchwaters which would ensure the filling of the proposed reservoir, could be constructed.

In other respects, the scheme was on the same lines as that formerly proposed and all the works, which had been carried out the heading "Ty-tam Tuk scheme, first section," would be fully availed of, the existing catchwater being taken up and relaid as a rising main. Site No. 2 would still be available if it became necessary to provide further storage accommodation in the future but it would be necessary to construct an extensive system of catchwaters in order to fill such a reservoir.

The estimate of the amended scheme was as follows:—

Dam (to impound 1,600 million gallons), \$4,042,000; Pumping station, pumping plant and mains, \$220,000; Road diversion, etc., \$35,000; Catchwater, \$20,000; total, \$4,317,000.

The committee unanimously agreed to recommend that the amended scheme be undertaken and that it be carried out as expeditiously as possible.

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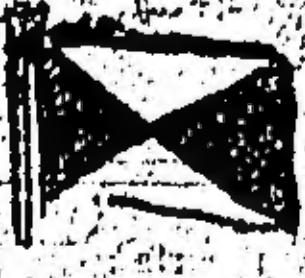
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WITH WHICH IS INCORPORATED THE

OCEAN MARINE INSURANCE CO.

TOTAL FUND at 31st December, 1910, £21,252,683.

Authorized Capital £2,000,000.

Subscribed Capital £2,514,845.

Paid-up Capital £1,987,907 5/6.

II—Fire Funds: 3,842,515 4/2.

III—Life &amp; Annuity Funds: 15,845,125 2/3.

Sinking Fund Account: 97,865 18/6.

£21,252,683 1/2.

Revenue Fire Losses: 2,373,269 11/7.

Life &amp; Annuity: 1,954,631 9/2.

Branches: 24,711,515 1/2.

Other Receipts: 1,954,631 9/2.

The Accumulated Funds of the Fire and Life Departments are free from liability to respect of each other.

SHEWAN, TOMES &amp; CO., Agents.

Advertisement for insurance.

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## STATION HOTEL

NATHAN ROAD, KOWLOON.

ELECTRIC LIGHT AND WATER.

BATH-ROOM TO EACH ROOM.

Cold and Hot Water throughout.

PRIVATE AND PUBLIC BARS.

BILLIARD ROOM.

Private Dining Room.

EXCELLENT CUISINE.

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HIGH-CLASS HOTEL.

LADIES' AFTERNOON TEA ROOMS.

Private Bar and Billiard Room.

Hot and Cold Water throughout.

Electrically Lighted.

Electric Fans (if required).

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Tables D'Hotel at Separate Tables.

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STANDING in its own grounds with

Tennis and Croquet Lawns, large

Aire and Well Furnished Rooms. Every

home comfort. Fine View of the Harbour.

Telephone No. 890.

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UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT.

Good Food, Clean Rooms, each with

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REASONABLE CHARGES.

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BAR, BILLIARDS AND BOWLING

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Chas. A. Mutton

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PRIVATE HOTEL

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Tel. No. 134. Tel. Address: 'Kingsclere'.

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Electric light, hot and cold water through

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Supplied to the Royal Courts of Holland and Austria.  
ABSOLUTELY PURE  
Recommended by the Medical Faculty for its Digestive Qualities.

ECONOMICAL (Quarter pound Tin makes twenty-five breakfast cups).

SPECIALLY ADAPTED FOR INVALIDS.

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FOR SALE AT ALL STORES,

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Ask for GROOTES' COCOA!!!

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SAVE HALF YOUR MILK BILL.

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HOTEL MANSIONS.

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The Universal Remedy for Acidity of the Stomach, Headache, Heartburn, Indigestion, Spasmodic Colic, Biliousness, etc.

To-day's Advertisements

TO LET.

UNFURNISHED FLAT in Macdonnell Road, from January 1st, 1912.  
Apply No. 13, MACDONNELL RD.  
Hongkong, December 26, 1911. 1870

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF MEMBERS OF THE ABOVE CLUB will be held on WEDNESDAY, the 10th January, 1912, in the Office of the Jockey Club, No. 5, Chater Road, at 12.30 p.m. for the purpose of considering the following Special Resolution carried at the Extraordinary General Meeting of Members held on Saturday, the 24th December, 1911, viz.:—

That the words "Kiangwan Race Club (Shanghai)" be added to Rule 1 Part 1 of the Rules of Racing.  
By Order,  
T. F. HOUGH,  
Clerk of the Course.  
Hongkong, December 26, 1911. 1688

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE dates of the ANNUAL RACE MEETING originally fixed for the 13th, 14th and 15th February, 1912, are altered to one week later. THE RACE MEETING will be held on TUESDAY, 20th, WEDNESDAY, 21st and THURSDAY, 22nd, February, 1912, thereby coinciding with the usual holidays following the Chinese New Year.  
The Entries will close one week later than the date originally fixed, viz., Saturday, the 24th January, 1912.  
In all other respects the programme as issued will stand.  
By Order,  
T. F. HOUGH,  
Clerk of the Course.  
Hongkong, December 26, 1911. 1689

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Mails will close for—  
NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA & TACOMA.  
Per Chicago, at 9 a.m., on Wednesday, the 27th Dec.

SWATOW, AMOY & SHANGHAI.  
Per Nippon, at 10 a.m., on Wednesday, the 27th Nov.

MAOAU.  
Per Sui Fat, at 1.15 p.m., on Wednesday, the 27th Dec.

KUOHINOTSU, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA, TACOMA, VANCOUVER & SEATTLE.  
Per Titan, at 2 p.m., on Wednesday, the 27th Dec.

SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW.  
Per Haiyang, at 10 a.m., on Thursday, the 28th Dec.

SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA.  
Per Kithong, at 2 p.m., on Thursday, the 28th Dec.

SHANGHAI.  
Per China, at 3 p.m., on Thursday, the 28th Dec.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & MOJI.  
Per Footwork, at 10 a.m., on Friday, the 29th Dec.

KOREA, YAP, ULAI, SAIPAN, TRUK, PONAPE, KUSAIE, JALUIT, NAURU, RABAU, & SYDNEY.  
Per Germania, at 3 p.m., on Friday, the 29th Dec.

MANILA, CEBU, ILOILO, ANGAUR, YAP, FRIEDRICH WILHELM, HAFEN, RABAU, ULAI, SAIPAN, TRUK, PONAPE, KUSAIE, JALUIT, NAURU, RABAU, & SYDNEY.  
Per Germania, at 3 p.m., on Friday, the 29th Dec.

MAILED BY THE GERMAN PACKET.  
The German Packet "Kleist" will be dispatched on WEDNESDAY, the 27th December with Mails for the United Kingdom, the Continent of Europe and countries beyond, via Bremen, Southampton, London, Batavia, Borneo, Ceylon, India, etc. (Tatooien), Aden, Egypt, Malta, etc.

Printed Matter and Samples at 10 a.m. Registration with late fee of 10 cents up to 10.45 a.m.  
Registration, Kowloon B.O., 10 a.m. to 10.45 a.m.  
Late Letters 11 to 11.30 a.m. Extra Postage 10 cents.  
(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)

SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU & SAN FRANCISCO.  
Per Tenyo Maru, on Friday, the 29th Dec.

Printed Matter and Samples at 10 a.m. Registration with late fee of 10 cents up to 10.30 a.m.  
Registration, Kowloon B.O., 10 a.m. to 10.30 a.m.  
No late fee.  
Letters at 11 a.m.  
Siberian Mail to Europe.

Hongkong Tides.  
The tide table given below has been compiled at the National Almanac Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1897-98.

The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the soundings in the Admiralty Charts which has been found to be 4 feet 3 inches below mean sea level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Road Pier, add 1 foot 4 inches and on the gauge at Lamoon Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet 6 inches to the height given in the table.

Dec. 27th to Jan. 2nd, 1912.

High Water.

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Vessels Advertised as Loading.

DESTINATION. VESSEL. AGENTS. DATE OF LEAVING.

Australian Ports, &c. Empire. Gibb Livingstone & Co. Jan. 6, at Noon.

Australian Ports, &c. St. Alban. Gibb Livingstone & Co. Feb. 3, at Noon.

Batavia, &c. New York India. Gibb Livingstone & Co. About Dec. 26.

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STEAMERS PASSED SUEZ CANAL.

November 23, 1911.  
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